

CIRCUIT CITY STORES, INC.,

Case No. 08-35653 (KRH)

<u>et al.,</u>

Debtors

Jointly Administered

CLAIMANTS RESPONSE TO THIRTY-SIXTH OMNIBUS OBJECTION TO CLAIMS (DISALLOWANCE OF CERTAIN CLAIMS RELATING TO SHORT TERM **INCENTIVE PLAN)**

The Claimant, KELLI A GRNECK, is owed compensation of \$40,000 as set forth under a fully preformed employment cash retention contact with Circuit City Inc. dated January 3, 2008. (See Attached Contract).

Statement:

Kelli A Groneck 5202 Highberry Woods Road Midlothian Virginia 23112 804-639-9456

I, Kelli A. Groneck, as an employee, entered into a contract with Circuit City under which I would remain employed and not seek other employment. This was not a "short Term Incentive Plan" but rather constituted a contractual employment cash retention award. I fully preformed my obligations under terms of the agreement by giving up any opportunity of other employment, remaining with the company and upon doing so, having this compensation become vested as part of my regular compensation.

In the agreement with Circuit City dated January 3, 2008 it states: "the purpose for this award is to reward, motivate and retain management personnel who are key to the Company's turnaround efforts and long term success." It also states: "Your right to this Award is not contingent on the corporate or individual performance." I am owed this employment compensation as I remained employed until March 21, 2009.

I would further respectfully request an extension of time and/or continuance of a determination on my claim in order to seek and retain legal counsel to properly represent my claim.

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Circuit City Stores, Inc. 9950 Mayland Drive Richmond, VA 23233-1464

January 3, 2008

Kelli Groneck 5202 Highberry Wood Road Midlothian, VA 23120

Dear Kelli:

Congratulations! The Compensation and Personnel Committee of the Board of Directors (the "Committee") has awarded you a special cash retention award (the "Award") subject to the terms of this Award letter. The purpose of this Award is to reward, motivate and retain management personnel who are key to the Company's turnaround efforts and long term success. To accept this Award, please sign the enclosed copy of this letter, and return it as indicated in item 6 below.

Subject to the requirements and limitations set forth in this Award letter, your Award, Award Date, and Vesting Dates are as follows:

Total Cash Retention Award: \$40.000

Award Date: January 1, 2008

Vesting DatesVesting %January 1, 200950%January 1, 201050%

For purposes of this Award letter, "Company" means Circuit City Stores, Inc. or a parent or subsidiary of Circuit City Stores, Inc. within the meaning of section 424(e) and (f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

Your right to receive the portion of your Award corresponding to the above Vesting Dates is contingent on (i) your agreeing to the terms of this Award by signing and returning the enclosed copy of this letter, and (ii) your remaining continuously employed on a full-time active basis with the Company through and including the corresponding Vesting Date. If you satisfy these requirements, the portion of your Award that becomes vested will be paid to you in a single lump sum cash payment within 75 days following the Vesting Date. Your right to this Award is not contingent on corporate or individual performance.

<u>Forfeiture</u>. If prior to becoming fully vested in your Award, (i) your employment with the Company terminates for any reason other than your death or permanent disability, or (ii) your employment status with the Company changes to part-time, or (iii) you retire from the Company, then the unvested portion of your Award will be forfeited as of the date of your termination, change in status, or retirement, as the case may be.

If your employment with the Company terminates on or before a Vesting Date because you die or become permanently disabled, then the portion of your Award scheduled to vest on such Vesting Date will vest as of the date of your death or termination for disability (assuming you otherwise meet the requirements under this Award letter), and any portion of your Award that would have vested on a subsequent Vesting Date will be forfeited. For example, if your employment terminates under these circumstances on or before January 1, 2009, the portion of your Award scheduled to vest on that date will vest, and any portion that would have vested on a subsequent Vesting Date will be forfeited.

The Committee will determine whether a permanent disability exists for purposes of the foregoing, and such determination will be conclusive and binding.

Other terms relevant to this Award letter are set forth below.

- Modification. The Committee may unilaterally modify the terms of this
 Award letter after the Award Date provided that your consent is obtained with respect to
 any modification that would be detrimental to your rights hereunder, except that your
 consent will not be required to the extent any such modification is to comply with
 applicable law.
- Change of Control. If you remain continuously employed on a full-time active basis with the Company through and including the date on which a Change of Control of the Company occurs, then notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, any restrictions hereunder on your outstanding Award shall lapse as of such date. For this purpose, "Change of Control" has the meaning set forth in the Circuit City Stores, Inc. 2003 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended and restated, effective December 14, 2006, and that definition is incorporated by reference into, and made a part of, this Award letter. Generally, a Change of Control will be deemed to occur upon any of the following events: (i) the acquisition by any person or entity of 35% or more of either the Company's outstanding shares or the combined voting power of the then outstanding securities of the Company entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (but excluding certain acquisitions involving the Company or an affiliate, or by any benefit plan sponsored by the Company); (ii) the incumbent members of the Board of Directors of the Company (including any future directors whose election is approved by a majority of the incumbent members) cease to constitute a majority of the Board of Directors; (iii) the consummation of a reorganization, merger or consolidation of the Company or sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company (with certain exceptions, as described in the 2003 Stock Incentive Plan); or (iv) the consummation of a plan of complete liquidation, dissolution, or sale of substantially all the assets of the Company.
- 3. <u>Withholding Taxes</u>. On the Vesting Date, you will have taxable income equal to the amount of your vested Award, and the Company will withhold the amount of taxes required to be withheld or paid.
- 4. <u>Interpretation</u>. The interpretation and construction of any provision or term of this Award letter by the Committee will be final and conclusive. The terms of this Award letter and all actions taken hereunder will be governed by the laws of the

Commonwealth of Virginia, without regard to the conflict of law provisions of any jurisdiction.

5. Miscellaneous.

- a. This Award letter is the entire agreement between you and the Company concerning the Award granted hereunder. If you are a party to an Employment Agreement with the Company, you agree that in the case of a conflict between the Employment Agreement and this Award letter, the terms of this Award letter will control.
- b. Nothing in this Award letter confers any right to continued employment with the Company, or affects the Company's right to terminate an associate's employment at any time, with or without notice, and with or without cause.
- c. The Company has no obligation to contribute any assets to a trust or other entity or otherwise to segregate any assets, or maintain separate accounts for the purpose of satisfying the Award obligation hereunder.
- 6. <u>Acceptance of this Award</u>. In order for your Award to become effective, you must accept it by signing and faxing a copy of this entire letter as soon as possible, but in no event later than February 1, 2008 to **757-299-8412**.

Your signature will also constitute your agreement to the terms and conditions contained in this letter.

Sincerely,

Eric A. Jonas, Jr. Senior Vice President Human Resources

ACCEPTED:

Accorded Signatura

Kelli Groneck

Printed Name

1-14-08

Date

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> IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA RICHMOND DIVISION

Chapter 11 In re:

CIRCUIT CITY STORES, INC., : Case No. 08-35653 (KRH)

et al.,

Jointly Administered Debtors.

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NOTICE OF DEBTORS' THIRTY-SIXTH OMNIBUS OBJECTION TO CLAIMS (DISALLOWANCE OF CERTAIN CLAIMS RELATING TO SHORT TERM INCENTIVE PLAN)

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the above-captioned Debtors (the "Debtors") filed the Debtors' Thirty-Sixth Omnibus Objections to Claims (Disallowance of Certain Claims Relating to Short Term Incentive Plan) (the "Objection") with the Bankruptcy Court. A copy of the Objection is attached to this notice (this "Notice") as Exhibit 1. By the Objection, the Debtors are seeking to disallow certain claims.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT on April 1, 2009, the Bankruptcy Court entered the Order Establishing Omnibus

Objection Procedures and Approving the Form and Manner of the Notice of Omnibus Objections (Docket No. 2881) (the "Order"), by which the Bankruptcy Court approved procedures for filing omnibus objections to proofs of claim and requests for allowance and payment of administrative expenses and/or cure claims (collectively, the "Claims") in connection with the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (the "Omnibus Objection Procedures").

Specifically, the Objection seeks to disallow and/or modify certain claims, including your claim(s), listed below, all as set forth in the Objection.

TO	Claim Number	Amount Claimed as Filed
GRONECK, KELLI A 5202 HIGHBERRY WOOD RD MIDLOTHIAN, VA 23112	6973	\$40,000.00

YOU ARE RECEIVING THIS NOTICE BECAUSE THE PROOF(S) OF CLAIM LISTED HEREIN THAT YOU FILED AGAINST ONE OR MORE OF THE DEBTORS IN THE ABOVE-CAPTIONED CHAPTER 11 CASES ARE SUBJECT TO THE OBJECTION. YOUR RIGHTS MAY BE AFFECTED BY THE OBJECTION. THEREFORE, YOU SHOULD READ THIS NOTICE (INCLUDING THE OBJECTION AND OTHER ATTACHMENTS) CAREFULLY AND DISCUSS THEM WITH YOUR ATTORNEY. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE AN ATTORNEY, YOU MAY WISH TO CONSULT ONE.

MOREOVER, PURSUANT TO RULE 3007-1 OF THE LOCAL RULES OF THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA AND THE OMNIBUS OBJECTION PROCEDURES, UNLESS A WRITTEN RESPONSE AND A REQUEST FOR A HEARING ARE FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE COURT AND SERVED ON THE OBJECTING PARTY BY 4:00 P.M. (EASTERN) ON SEPTEMBER 15, 2009, THE COURT MAY DEEM ANY OPPOSITION WAIVED, TREAT THE OBJECTION AS CONCEDED AND ENTER AN ORDER GRANTING THE RELIEF REQUESTED WITHOUT A HEARING.

Critical Information for Claimants Choosing to File a Response to the Objection

Who Needs to File a Response: If you oppose the relief requested in the Objection and if you are unable to resolve the Objection with the Debtors before the deadline to respond, then you must file and serve a written response (the "Response") to the Objection in accordance with this Notice.

If you do not oppose the relief requested in the Objection, then you do not need to file a written Response to the Objection and you do not need to appear at the hearing.

Response Deadline: The Response Deadline is 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) on September 15, 2009 (the "Response Deadline").

THE BANKRUPTCY COURT WILL ONLY CONSIDER YOUR RESPONSE IF YOUR RESPONSE IS FILED, SERVED AND RECEIVED BY THE RESPONSE DEADLINE.

Your Response will be deemed timely filed only if the Response is <u>actually received</u> on or before the Response Deadline by the Bankruptcy Court at the following address:

Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court United States Bankruptcy Court 701 East Broad Street - Room 4000 Richmond, Virginia 23219

Your Response will be deemed timely served only if a copy of the Response is actually received on or before the Response Deadline by the Debtors' attorneys:

SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER MCGUIREWOODS LLP & FLOM, LLP One Rodney Square PO Box 636 Wilmington, DE 19899-0636 Attn: Gregg M. Galardi Attn: Ian S. Fredericks

One James Center 901 E. Cary Street Richmond, VA 23219 Attn: Dion W. Hayes Attn: Douglas M. Foley

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SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER & FLOM, LLP 155 North Wacker Drive Chicago, Illinois 60606 Attn: Chris L. Dickerson

The status hearing on the Objection will be held at 11:00 a.m. (Eastern) on September 22, 2009 at:

> United States Bankruptcy Court 701 East Broad Street - Courtroom 5100 Richmond, Virginia 23219

If you file a timely Response, in accordance with the Objection Procedures, you do not need to appear at the status hearing on the Objection.

Procedures for Filing a Timely Response and Information Regarding the Hearing on the Objection

Contents. To facilitate a speedy and non-judicial resolution of a Claim subject to the Objection, any claimant filing a Response shall use its best efforts to include the following (at a minimum) in its filed Response, to the extent such materials are not attached to its proof of claim:

> a caption setting forth the name of the a. Bankruptcy Court, the name of the Debtors, the case number and the title of the Objection to which the Response is directed;

- b. the claimant's name and an explanation for the amount of the Claim;
- c. a concise statement, executed by (or identifying by name, address and telephone number) a person with personal knowledge of the relevant facts that support the Response, setting forth the reasons why the Bankruptcy Court should overrule the Objection as to the claimant's claim, including, without limitation (to the extent not set forth in its proof of claim), the specific factual and legal bases upon which the claimant intends to rely in support of its Response and its underlying Claim;
- d. a copy of or identification of any other documentation or other evidence of the Claim, to the extent not already included with the Claim that the claimant presently intends to introduce into evidence in support of its Claim at the hearing; provided, however, that for a Response filed in support of a Claim arising out of a lease of real property, the Response need not attach such lease if the claimant indicates its willingness to provide such documentation upon request;
- a declaration of a person with personal knowledge of the relevant facts that support the Response; and
- f. the claimant's address, telephone number and facsimile number and/or the name, address, telephone number and facsimile number of the claimant's attorney and/or designated representative to whom the attorneys for the Debtors should serve a reply to the Response, if any (collectively, the "Notice Address"). If a Response contains Notice Address that is different from the name and/or address listed on the Claim, the Notice Address will control and will become the service address for future service of papers with respect to all of the claimant's Claims listed in the Objection (including all Claims to be

- disallowed) and only for those Claims in the Objection.
- To the extent such person differs from the g. person identified pursuant to subjection e, above, the name, address, telephone number, facsimile number, and electronic mail address of the representative of the claimant (which representative may be the claimant's counsel) party with authority to reconcile, settle or otherwise resolve the Objection on the claimant's behalf (collectively, the "Additional Addresses"). Unless the Additional Addresses are the same as the Notice Addresses, the Additional Address will not become the service address for future service of papers.

Additional Information. To facilitate a resolution of the Objection, your Response should also include the name, address, telephone number and facsimile number of the party with authority to reconcile, settle or otherwise resolve the Objection on the claimant's behalf. Unless the Additional Addresses are the same as the Notice Addresses, the Additional Addresses will not become the service address for future service of papers.

Failure to File Your Timely Response. If you fail to file and serve your Response on or before the Response Deadline in compliance with the procedures set forth in this Notice, the Debtors will present to the Bankruptcy Court an appropriate order granting the relief requested in the Objection without further notice to you.

Each Objection Is a Contested Matter. Each Claim subject to the Objection and the Response thereto shall constitute a separate contested matter as contemplated by Bankruptcy Rule 9014, and any order entered by the Bankruptcy Court will be deemed a separate order with respect to such claim.

Additional Information

Requests for Information. You may also obtain a copy of the Objection or related documents on the internet, by

accessing the website of the Debtors at www.kccllc.net/circuitcity.

Reservation of Rights. Nothing in this Notice or the Objection constitutes a waiver of the Debtors' right to assert any claims, counterclaims, rights of offset or recoupment, preference actions, fraudulent-transfer actions or any other claims against you by the Debtors. Unless the Bankruptcy Court allows your Claims or specifically orders otherwise, the Debtors have the right to object on any grounds to the Claims (or to any other Claims or causes of action you may have filed or that have been scheduled by the Debtors) at a later date on any grounds or bases. In such event, you will receive a separate notice of any such objections.

Dated: August 21, 2009 Richmond, Virginia SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER & FLOM, LLP Gregg M. Galardi, Esq. Ian S. Fredericks, Esq. P.O. Box 636 Wilmington, Delaware 19899-0636 (302) 651-3000

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